## CCRB INVESTIGATIVE RECOMMENDATION

Investigator:		Team:	CCRB Case #:	V	Force	<b>V</b>	Discourt.	U.S.
Diana Vale		Squad #6	201704790	-	Abuse	П	O.L.	☐ Injury
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Incident Date(s)		Location of Incident:		F	Precinct:	18	Mo. SOL	EO SOL
Thursday, 12/15/2016 6:00 AM		Inside of § 87(2)(b)			48	6	/15/2018	6/15/2018
Date/Time CV Reported		CV Reported At:	How CV Reported:		Date/Time	Rece	eived at CC	RB
Sat, 12/17/2016 1:38 PM		IAB	Phone		Wed, 06/1	4/201	17 12:34 PN	Л
Complainant/Victim	Type	Home Addre	ess					
Witness(es)		Home Addre	ess					
Subject Officer(s)	Shield	TaxID	Command					
1. POM Harry Delacruz	20377	941272	GANG BX					
2. DT3 Thomas Dunsing	07648	903854	GANG BX					
Witness Officer(s)	Shield N	o Tax No	Cmd Name					
1. SGT Joseph Rivera	04639	943738	GANG BX					
Officer(s)	Allegatio	on			Inve	stiga	ator Recor	nmendation
A.POM Harry Delacruz	Abuse: D	Detective Harry Delacruz in the	z entered and searche Bronx.	ed §	7(2)			
B.DT3 Thomas Dunsing		esy: Detective Thomas I cously to \$87(2)(b)	Ounsing spoke					
C.DT3 Thomas Dunsing	Force: Do	etective Thomas Dunsinshield.	ıg struck <sup>§ 87(2)(b)</sup>	W	vith			
D.DT3 Thomas Dunsing		etective Thomas Dunsin blice shield.	ıg struck <sup>§ 87(2)(b)</sup>					
E.POM Harry Delacruz	Abuse: D warrant t	Detective Harry Delacruz o § 87(2)(b)	z failed to show the s	sear	ch			

## On December 17, 2016, Sgt. Kurt Hall of the 48<sup>th</sup> Precinct filed this complaint with the Internal Affairs Bureau on behalf of \$\frac{8}{37(2)(b)}\$ and \$\frac{8}{37(2)(b)}\$ On June 14, 2017, the Civilian Complaint Review Board received this complaint under IAB original log #16-44092. On December 15, 2016, at approximately 6:00 a.m., Det. Harry Delacruz and other officers from Bronx Gang arrived to the location of \$\frac{8}{37(2)(b)}\$, in the Bronx, in response to a valid search warrant (Allegation A: Abuse of Authority, \$\frac{8}{37(2)(b)}\$ Det. Thomas Dunsing told \$\frac{8}{37(2)(b)}\$ to "get the fuck on the floor" (Allegation B: Discourtesy, \$\frac{8}{37(2)(b)}\$ before striking him with his police shield (Allegation C: Force, \$\frac{8}{37(2)(b)}\$ with his police shield (Allegation D: Force,

(Allegation E: Abuse of Authority, § 87(2)(9)

Video footage was not obtained for this incident.

## **Findings and Recommendations**

). Det. Delacruz failed to show the search warrant to § 87(2)(b)

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Allegation A – Abuse of Authority: Detective Harry Delacruz entered and searched
, in the Bronx.
It is undisputed that Bronx Gang officers, including Det. Delacruz, entered and searched
, in the Bronx, on December 15, 2016, at approximately 6:00 a.m.,
pursuant to a valid NYS search warrant for the location which resulted in positive results for
narcotics.
As per NYS Search Warrant § 87(2)(b) dated on § 87(2)(b) , and signed by
, officers were permitted to enter the location without giving notice of
authority and purpose to search for property related to unlawful possession, packaging and sale of
cocaine and marijuana, and U.S. currency (BR 01).
Property Vouchers 87(2)(b)
indicated that several plastic bags with cocaine residue, a scale with cocaine
residue, a metrocard with cocaine residue, several bags of marijuana, a full box of ammunition, a
dagger, and \$1959 in U.S. Currency were recovered from the apartment (BR 02).
A police officer may enter and search a location for which they have a valid search
warrant. A search warrant must be executed within 10 days of its issuance between the hours of
6:00 A.M. and 9:00 P.M. Officers are permitted to seize property pursuant to the search warrant.
New York Criminal Procedure Law Sections 690.30 and 690.50 (BR 03 – 04).
§ 87(2)(b), § 87(2)(g)
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Allegation B – Discourtesy: Detective Thomas Dunsing spoke discourteously to \$87(2)(b)
Allegation C – Force: Detective Thomas Dunsing struck §87(2)(b) with a police shield.
was contacted on various occasions and several letters were sent to him.
Initially, \$87(2)(b) stated that he wanted to consult his criminal attorney prior to providing the
CCRB with a statement. Eventually, \$87(2)(b) provided a phone statement but missed two CCRB
interviews. On August 31, 2017, \$87(2)(b) s attorney \$87(2)(b) was contacted and he stated
that he did not want § 87(2)(b) to provide a CCRB statement at the time. § 87(2)(g), § 87(2)(b)
Allegation D – Force: Detective Thomas Dunsing struck 887(2)(b) with a police
shield.
It is undisputed that officers attempted to secure the premises prior to conducting a search
of the location. Entry officers went up to the second floor of the apartment and instructed
and § 87(2)(b) who were all in the hallway to get on the floor and
everyone complied. \$87(2)(b) who was not in handcuffs at the time, attempted to stand up from the ground. \$87(2)(b) and \$87(2)(b) alleged that Det. Dunsing then hit \$87(2)(b)
from the ground. §87(2)(b) and §87(2)(b) alleged that Det. Dunsing then hit §87(2)(b)
either on his arm or face with the police shield and pushed him back to the ground.
was not injured and he did not seek medical attention. The investigation was unable to
obtain a statement from §87(2)(6) regarding this incident (BR $05-11$ ). Det. Dunsing
denied taking any actions against \$87(2)(b) using his police shield and Det. Delacruz and
Sgt. Joseph Rivera of Bronx Gang, witnesses to this incident, denied seeing Det. Dunsing take
this action. § 87(2)(9)
Allegation E – Abuse of Authority: Detective Harry Delacruz failed to show the search
warrant to § 87(2)(b)
It is undisputed that as \$87(2)(6) was in the living room, Det. Delacruz spoke with
her about the incident. § 87(2)(b) alleged that she asked Det. Delacruz if he had a warrant
and Det. Delacruz responded that he would show it to her later. However, §87(2)(6) was
never provided with the warrant. Det. Delacruz denied refusing to show \$87(2)(b) the
warrant and Det. Delacruz and Sgt. Rivera, witnesses to this incident, denied hearing Det.
Delacruz refuse to show the warrant. §87(2)(9)
Delacide forage to show the warrant.
Civilian and Officer CCRB Histories
• \$87(2)(b) and \$87(2)(b) have no prior CCRB complaints (BR 12).
• § 87(2)(b)
• Det. Delacruz has been a member of the NYPD for 11 years and has 18 allegations in
nine cases with no substantiated allegations (see officer history).
• Det. Dunsing has been a member of the NYPD for 24 years and has 14 allegations in
seven cases with three substantiated allegations (see officer history).

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- In CCRB case #201006348, a stop and frisk were substantiated and he received instructions.
- o In CCRB case #201102375, a search of person was substantiated. However, no penalty was imposed as the statute of limitations had exceeded.
- § 87(2)(g)

## Mediation, Civil and Criminal Histories This case was not eligible for mediation due to §87(2)(b) s arrests with no DAT. According to the NYC Comptroller's Office, as of August 30, 2017, \$87(2)(6) and \$87(2)(b) have not filed a Notice of Claim regarding this incident (BR 14). § 87(2)(b) § 87(2)(c) Squad No.: 6 Investigator Diana Vale Investigator: Signature Print Title & Name Date Investigative Manager Jessica Peña Squad Leader: \_ Print Title & Name Signature Date

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Date

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Reviewer:

Signature